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Remember

Braden Roberts stands in front of a picture at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Remembrance Day ceremony at the Northern **Lights Performing** Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on Friday, Nov. 9. The performance included selfcomposed songs and poems performed by the Grade 11 drama class, with several Grade 12 students. See more on page

Darren Lum Staff

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Job action begins at high school

Jenn Watt Editor

Secondary school teachers at some schools across the province began job action Monday against changes imposed by the province.

Of those participating is Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, where teachers will be cutting back on their supervisory duties. "The teachers are going to be doing an administrative and to some extent supervisory strike," said Peter Carroll, representing the local bargaining units.

The Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation has been in negotiations with the province and last week called for job action.

That action was postponed for five days while the two sides talked, with a Sunday evening deadline.

Nov. 12, OSSTF released a statement declaring

job action would commence at about 20 school boards across the province.

Professional student services personnel, teachers and occasional teachers are all included in the action.

In response, Trillium Lakelands District School Board released its own statement saying it was willing to lock the teachers out if student safety was compromised.

"Our first priority is the welfare of our stu-

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Board concerned for student safety

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dents," board chairwoman Karen Round said in the release. "We do not want to have to lock out teachers - but we are prepared to go to this length if our students are not safe."

Board communications director Catherine Shedden said lack of supervision could lead to unsafe situations.

'What the concern is is that there may be some decrease in supervision," she said.

Carroll said student safety will not be compromised by the teachers' job action.

'The teachers will be instructing the students ... they will be continuing to give extra help to students and they certainly will also be doing general supervisory work so there is no doubt that the students will be in a safe environment,"

Both Carroll and Shedden confirmed that classes will continue as usual.

At the moment, school sports and other extra curriculars will continue as well.

The union has been dealing with the controversial Bill 115 introduced by the Liberal government and supported by the PCs, which freezes wages, changes sick leave and effectively removes the possibility of a strike.

Carroll said the job action is aimed at getting a "fair collective agreement" from the province.



Bike winner

Six-year-old Ethan Megrah-Poppe of Haliburton sits with his grand prize single-speed bmx-style bike after having his name drawn for the Weekender's Halloween Colouring Contest. The contest had more than 100 entries and offered 14 prizes, including two bicycles donated by the Minden Family Dentistry. Prizes, which were provided in part by Minden Stedman's, were awarded with a random draw. Upcoming is the Weekender's Christmas Colouring Contest. Entry forms will be in the Nov. 20 Weekender and also available at the Haliburton **Echo and Minden Times** offices. Darren Lum Staff

Curry named cocktail king



Here, there & everywhere

news and events worth noting

Scot Curry of Haliburton, now living in Whistler, B.C., competed last week in the Cornucopia Cocktail Competition at the annual Cornucopia Celebration of Wine and Food and won.

The competition challenged professional bartenders to create unique drinks in 15 minutes. "Creativity, taste, presentation and attitude" factor into the judges' scoring.

Curry has been a cocktail technician for seven years, two of them at Atla Bistro in Whistler.

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Santa takes a siesta at Wanakita

YWCA Wanakita won't be holding its usual Breakfast with Santa event this winter as its kitchen and prep space undergo renovations.

These renovations are scheduled to be completed prior to our 2013 spring outdoor centre season, so we look forward to seeing you, your friends and family out at our Strawberry Social in June," Shannon Blanchard, outdoor centre co-ordinator wrote to the paper.

Chamber orchestra presents Autumn Classics

The Highlands Chamber Orchestra presents its first concert Autumn Classics at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on Nov. 18.

Conducted by Dan Manley, the orchestra will perform from a set including Finlandia, Tritch Tratch Polka and The Great Gate from Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition.

The concert features four special guest artists, including a brass and string quintets and a piano/cello/clarinet trio. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$20 for adults with a child under 16. Purchase tickets through orchestra members and at the venue.

Make reservations through Bethany Houghton at 705-448-1991.

Correction

In the 1990 drawing run on the community page in last week's Echo there were some troubles deciphering handwriting. The caption should have said the artwork was done by Dorothy Sanderson, who is now married to Steve Bock. She is the daughter of Ken and Nadeen Sanderson.

In 2011 the Haliburton County Development Corporation distributed 100 loans, not grants, as was reported in last week's Echo.

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Haliburton takes time to remember

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

They did not forget to remember.

On Nov. 11, Highland Street was lined with hundreds of onlookers for the annual Remembrance Day ceremony in Haliburton Village.

The event began with a traditional parade starting at the Haliburton Legion to the cenotaph, led by the Haliburton Pipes and Drums.

The ceremony included the singing of the

national anthem, a roll call of local soldiers who were lost to war, a moment of silence and music by bagpiper Brian Sachs and trumpet player Andy Salvatori.

More than 20 wreaths were laid at the cenotaph by local politicians and community groups to remember those who

Following the event refreshments were served at the Haliburton Legion, branch

Remembrance Day events were held throughout Haliburton County in Minden, Wilberforce and Gooderham.





Above, Highland Street was lined with hundreds of onlookers for the annual Remembrance Day ceremony on Nov. 11 in Haliburton Village. The annual event included a moment of silence for fallen veterans, the reading of the roll call of local soldiers lost to war and a moment of silence.

Left, Cadet Keith Burley lays a wreath at the cenotaph in Haliburton Village during the ceremony. More than 20 wreaths were laid by local politicians, community members and groups.



Deputy director of **EMS** in Haliburton **County Larry** Blanchard, right, lays a wreath at the cenotaph in Haliburton Village, on behalf of emergency services during the ceremony on Nov. 11.

Angelica Blenich



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High school students remember

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

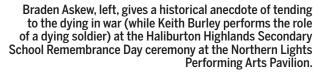
The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Grade 11 Drama class, including several Grade 12 students paid tribute to the men and women who have served our country whether it was overseas or domestically in the Remembrance Day ceremony at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on Friday, Nov. 9.

Close to two hours, the ceremony included poems, theatre, and live musical performances such as a self-composed song written and performed by Louis Ferracuti, piano, Drew Hewitt, guitar, and Matt Kim, bass.

This event included the honour call of soldiers who died in the First and Second World Wars, a tribute to Afghanistan veteran master corporal Mike Trauner, a doubleamputee, and participation by exchange students Lidia Herrero Martin and Romina Sabando Anargote.



Spanish exchange student Lidia Herrero Martin performs at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Remembrance Day ceremony at the Northern Lights Performing Arts





Darren Lum Staff

Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment cadets Candra Warnica, left, and Kimberly Warnica speak to the Grade 10 students at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Remembrance Day ceremony at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on Friday, Nov. 9. The performance that included self-composed songs and poems was performed by the Grade 11 drama class, including several Grade 12 students.



County museums come together

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The museums of Haliburton County are spread throughout its vast expanse, but there is now a place where one can find them all together.

Years in the making, Haliburton Highlands Heritage launched last month.

The centralized website offers connections to the Dorset Heritage Museum, Haliburton Highlands Museum, Stanhope Heritage Museum, Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Museum, Minden Hills Museum, Agnes Jamieson Gallery and R.D. Lawrence Place.

"All of our museums are really standalone in their own right," said Adele Espina, co-ordinator of the project. "This shows people that you have, really, a cultural destination."

But the website does more than that.

It allows the museums better collective records management and the ability to create online exhibits to show off artifacts that may be too delicate to display in a traditional way, such as faded documents.

For example, the Haliburton Highlands Museum has a virtual exhibit featuring 19th century insurance diagrams drawn by Alexander Niven, an appraiser who came to the county in the 1860s working with the Canadian Land and Emigration Company.

His sketches show the size, shape and buildings of some of the county's early pioneer properties. A virtual exhibit by the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Museum entitled Babies, Babies, Babies!: Rural Maternity and the Red Cross Outpost Nurse contains photos and explanations of numerous items, such as maternity stocking, which, the site explains "were large, oversize cloth covers which were slipped onto the mother's legs to provide her with a greater sense of modesty."

There are numerous other virtual exhibits

'Virtual exhibits can be used as educational tools," Espina said, explaining that modules about the same subject could be created in both adult and child versions. The project began in 2009 and was funded by the Ontario Ministry of Culture as well as the county's four

Along with Espina, it involved Kerry Lock, Betty Moffatt, Hilda Clark and Stephen Hill.

To check out the site, visit www.haliburtonhighlandsheritage.ca.

Reeves reflect on reaching mid-point of municipal term

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

It's only been two years, but reeves Murray Fearrey and Dave Burton believe a lot has been accomplished in their respective municipalities. Halfway through their fouryear term, the reeves reflected on what has transpired since they were elected in October 2010. For Fearrey, who is no stranger to politics, the municipality of Dysart is undergoing some major transformations, with the arena renovation and Highland Streetscape

Those are positive things," he said.

Apart from capital projects the municipality has also taken on environmental and housing issues with the creation of committees of council. While progress has been made in the past few years, Fearrey does not hesitate to point to economic challenges as an ongo-

"I think we've done well and maintained a

reasonable tax base," said Fearrey. "It's a struggle between how much people can afford to pay and the services we can provide."

Looking forward the reeve believes the municipality will shift its focus and funds to roads, to keep good infrastructure in place.

Burton believes progress has been made in Highlands East, pointing to the creation of committees of council as just one example.

"We're moving forward with each and

every one of them," said Burton.

The reeve believes Highlands East is in a better position than it was two years ago, due to a strong council who have the municipality's interest at heart and dedicated staff.

Looking forward, Burton said there will be financial challenges for the municipality, due to federal and provincial cutbacks.

"We have to be creative. I believe we have been and will continue to be," he said.



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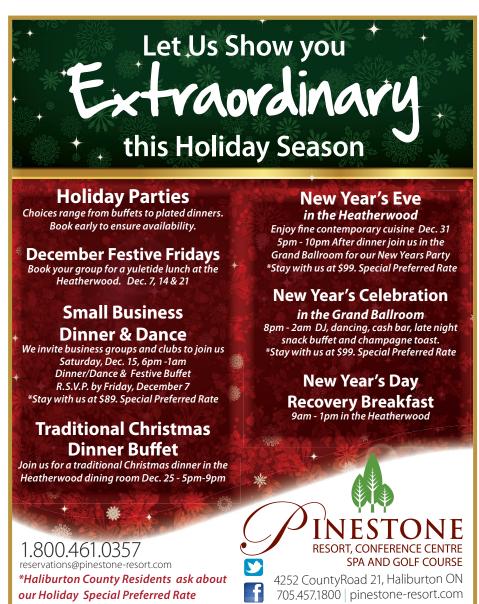
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Finding space between

Jenn Watt

Editor

THE LAND BETWEEN is a perfect example of how thinking outside the box can lead to incredible things.

In this case, it is a nearly literal exam-

Accustomed to thinking in terms of political ridings - usually boxshaped boundaries cutting through natural landscapes and human settlements - our society is often unwilling to consider uniting along different lines.

But that is what The Land Between, the organization and now the film, seeks to do.

Several years ago, a cottager named Peter Alley noticed that the area between the Canadian Shield and the St. Lawrence Lowlands was a distinct place all to itself.

It combined the natural features of the north with those of the south.

Perhaps for this reason, The Land Between also fostered special human relationships to the land starting with the first peoples and moving through to settlers to today.

Much of Haliburton County can be counted as part of The Land Between, which stretches from Lake Huron's Parry Sound through to Lakefield and Tweed, with its southern boundary skimming just north of Lindsay and Peterborough.

Since Alley's observation, work has been done by a dedicated group, led by Leora Berman, to document and

research the land.

The latest incarnation of that work is a three-part series set to air on TVO and likely several other television sta-

It makes a convincing case that there is another geographic and cultural part of Ontario that must be nurtured, preserved and protected.

Beyond the ecologically significant species such as the Blanding's turtle, five-lined skink and loggerhead shrike, which can be found in The Land Between, there is also a shared history of the peo-

The film, which features gorgeous aerial shots of the land as well as dozens of intriguing interviews with First Nations people, academics, historians and others, documents how the land's features has created a unique history

The high percentage of lakefront, the abundance of water routes, the difficult soil conditions and the mixture of flora and fauna have made the Land Between a gathering place for people.

Berman's hope is the case her organization is making will allow The Land Between to be declared a biosphere by the United Nations, opening it up for better protection and research.

She also envisions creating jobs in the Highlands, where the organization is based, to work on these projects.

All of this from reading between the lines and thinking out of the box.

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Remember

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The greatest deer camp excuse, Part 1

'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT that the life lessons taught in deer camp are

among the best reasons for going. In a good camp, if you pay attention, you can learn things you'd never learn anywhere else.

For instance, I've discovered that some ideas - like the two-holer outhouse - only look good on paper. I've also learned that it's easier to drag a deer downhill than uphill. And I've found that Murphy's Law prevents mortally

wounded deer from running uphill or towards the road. I've found that a good story is better than just about anything on television and that if you want a large group of diverse people to meet at a certain point at a certain time, just mention the word bacon.

Yes, there is a lot of folksy wisdom in a deer camp.

But mostly I've learned that, if you have the right excuse, people will respect it - or failing that, they'll just nod profusely and talk about you behind your

Just to be clear, the right excuse is one that cannot, even with witnesses, be easily disproven. It should also explain away a monumental blunder while getting buy-in from others. This is not because they actually believe it, but because they know that they might be able to use that same excuse one day too.

I heard a fine example of a great deer

hunting excuse late last week when one hunter missed a deer. He said it was

because his bullet deflected off of a branch and buried itself into a tree two feet higher than the animal.

Now, I'm not saying that deflections don't happen, because they do. But generally, a twig isn't going to move a fast, heavy bullet that far off course over so short a distance. And, believe me, it was a short distance.

Everyone in camp suspected this too. But we all nodded and agreed that the miss must have resulted from an exceptional deflection - the kind that can routinely happen to a big, agitated guy who has no sense of humour. Besides, no one was there to confirm the buck fever.

Moreover, it's never a bad thing to have that kind of foolproof excuse available to you as well. The point is, whether it was true or not, the excuse worked.

As every deer hunter knows, the deflection excuse is a time-honoured classic that can be used virtually anywhere. Heck, I once heard a guy claim that a blade of grass deflected his 12gauge slug off course by four feet. Which was absolutely exceptional since the deer was only 10 feet away

The best part was that everyone at camp nodded their heads profusely. And they had the decency to wait until later to talk behind my back.



Steve Galea Loon Tales

points of view

What day is it?

TWASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE like this. The trees in the backyard glowed pink and sparkly in the early morning sun. Actually it wasn't that early but as November inched along toward December the sun was slow to arrive and in a hurry to depart. There had been a downpour the night before. Phoebe had lain in bed listening to the rain pummel the roof before she drifted off. Hence the sparkly trees, soaked and still holding droplets.

The rain was typical for this time of year. Phoebe had expected it, washing away any lingering leaves and forcing them to sink, slick and heavy, into the ground around her bird feeder. But this sunshine, this warmth – that part was not supposed to be. Especially not today.



Sharon LynchDown our Road

The radio reported it was a typically cold, grey day for the ceremony in Ottawa. However here in Phoebe's little village, the birds fluttered merrily and her old dog stretched out on the deck to soak up sunshine like a crust soaks up gravy. She had been sitting at the kitchen table, finishing her late weekend breakfast while CBC radio carried on with its Remembrance Day programming.

It was a day that always snuck up on Phoebe. She didn't really think about it until the radio came on with its poignant stories, the recollections and crackly old

voices. Then she paused, her coffee cup in mid-air and thought. Of course she had no experience with war. In fact as a child of the Sixties she had always felt conflicted about war-making. But the personal histories, the lives so torn apart by events beyond the ordinary person's control, made easy judgments impossible.

There was a very old framed photograph on Phoebe's piano. Taken in a studio as was the custom a hundred years ago, the sepia images were remarkably clear. They haunted her.

Her great-aunt Margaret stood in an old-fashioned nurse's uniform. Beside her was a young man dressed militarily, his pants oddly tight from the knees down, the fabric looking stiff and rough. Her fiancé. The couple was turned slightly toward each other but not actually touching. They were so very young.

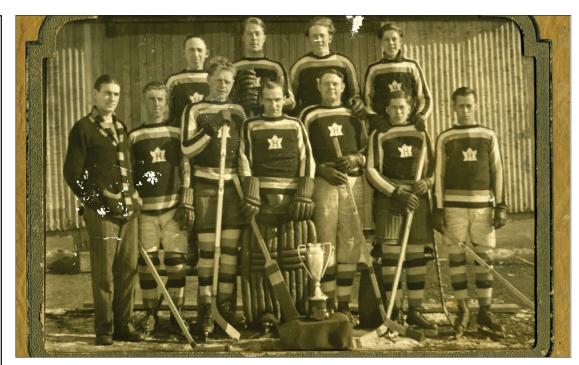
The family story was that they were both overseas in the First World War. He never came home. Margaret continued with her nursing career, eventually becoming a paediatric nurse at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children. She never married. Phoebe had always known Margaret as a stooped and crusty old gal who liked her sherry and Saturday night hockey. The photo showed another woman. How different her life might have been.

The unusually warm sunny day beckoned. Rousing the old dog, Phoebe struck out for a walk, taking in all the vitamin D she could. The neatly raked lawns and early Christmas lights passed by as though there was not a care in the world. What a blessed life I have not to live in Syria at this very moment, she thought, as the dog sniffed at an old stump. How is it decided where a person is born and how they die?

Turning the corner they started up the hill. This was Phoebe's least favourite part of the walk, each year making the hill longer and steeper. Her mind was on the incline until she realized there was a sound other than birds and trucks gearing down to enter the village. She stopped and listened.

Bagpipes and drums. Of course. Way back on the main street, Phoebe saw a winking police cruiser and a jumble of shapes. It was the Remembrance Day procession. They would be returning to the Canadian Legion following the ceremony at the cenotaph. Pictures for the newspapers would be taken, the photographers trying to capture the mood of both marchers and onlookers. There would be a brief write-up.

In her mind's eye she saw the veterans marching, the flags and swinging arms, the clouded eyes. Even if she turned around and headed toward them, she'd never make it in time. She felt oddly disappointed in herself that she was not there to watch them. It was the least she could have done.



pic of the past

ebruary, 1933. Back row, from left to right, Jack Cryderman, Roy Brohm, Gordon Porter and Harold Ruth. Front row, from left to right, Gordon Watt (coach), Roy Watt, Harold Brodhagen, Jack Robertson, Clayton Hodgson, Moss Robertson and Harvey Iles.

letters to the editor

A soldier's story

To the Editor,

The following information was submitted to the paper following a request for information about Sgt. Merrill G Bailey of Haliburton, who was taken prisoner of war during the Second World War.

Just one short story in a very long war.

Merrill enlisted in the RCAF in December 1940. He got his wings as a pilot Aug. 4, arriving in England on Sept. 1 after training on Wellington bombers. He was transferred to four-engine Sterlings #7 Squadron ARAF unit. From there, he started night bombing over enemy territory.

On his 21st mission, their luck ran out. Hit over target, one engine shot out and another smoking badly. Losing altitude they made it as far as the coast. Low down they were an easy target for German flack ships. They crashed into the North Sea. Two gunners survived and himself. That was July 1942. Five other crew members lost their lives.

In the water for only a short time they were picked up by the same ship that finished them off.

They would not see England for a long time. They ended up in far east Germany near the Polish border. January 1945 the Russians were on the move – hearing the booming gunfire in the distance. They were rounded up and started them on their long march across Germany about 600 miles to keep them from falling into the hands of the Russian army.

The Americans swept by. They did not see them as they were guests in a Polish prison camp. From there, he made his way back to England by horse-drawn

Proud of Opa

To the Editor,

Re: Haliburton Echo article Nov. 10, 2009, Martin Hofland's museum of war artifacts

[Martin Hofland, my Opa] was seven when World War Two first began. At this time he and his family were living in Holland. The article talks about how food was scarce and how tough his life was for him and his family. At one point he and his family had no food left, so he stole a loaf of bread from the Germans. They chased after him. The only way to get away from them was to jump over a barbed wire fence and to run through a minefield, which he did. After the loaf of bread quickly disappeared, he and his family were facing death right in the face. They were slowly starving to death. They had no other option but to eat grass, tulip bulbs and whatever else Mother Nature had to offer. His house was bombed 13 times, all from German Nazis.

I think the main idea of this article is to never give up hope because several times my Opa never gave up hope. Once, he could have given up hope when the German soldiers were chasing after him, but he didn't. He could have given up hope when he was starving to death, but he didn't. He could have given up hope when his house was bombed, but he didn't. He could have given up on the Dutch army, but he didn't.

My connection to this article is that much like my Opa, I am very interested in World War Two and I plan to learn much more about it. I am very interested in it because my Opa has always told me to value what I have. He always involved me in whatever he got or heard about from the

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etters

Long trip home

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cart, bus, airplane and ship from Ostend to London and car to Bournmouth, a tourist town on the south shore.

A lot of troops were there for a while. He left by train for Glasgow, boarded a ship and landed in New York since there were many Americans on board.

Took a train to Montreal.

Put him in the hospital for a short time. He wasn't feeling very good at that time.

That was about four years since he left Union Station in Toronto.

Merrill wrote from his prison camp a couple of times. He said he wrote a lot of letters home - although he couldn't say too

Nearly 110,000 Canadians died during the First and Second World Wars.

The war effort involved so many people - factor workers, etc. - one could go on and on and still never be able to name them all. Wear a poppy for the ones that didn't come home and the ones that did.

The graves over there are well looked after.

They remember.

Thanks to Kim Emmerson for his help with this information.

Loving history

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war. I have always had sympathy for people who went through World War Two. I am very thankful that my Opa and Oma didn't have to go to a concentration camp. I love history and knowing about World War Two and I am very proud of my Opa.

> Cailie Hofland, Grade 8 Whitby



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Collecting food

Daryl Woodley helps sort food donated by area residents to the 4Cs food bank in early November. High school students from the Interact Club did some trick-or-treating around the county collecting non-perishables on Oct. 31. In total 1107 pounds of food was collected, from Haliburton, Wilberfirce and Minden, compared to the estimated 500 pounds. Photo by

Remembering

This scroll was delivered to Margaret Henderson on the passing of her husband Sapper Joseph Henderson in the First World War. Henderson's granddaughter Darlene McKnight brought in the scroll, which had been framed, to the Echo office.

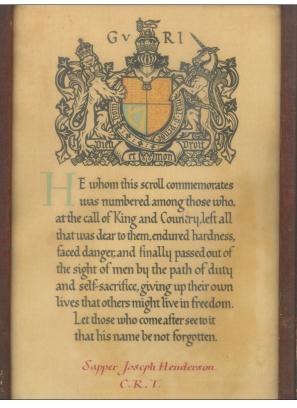
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Food for Kids co-ordinator hopes for expansion

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

He's excited about his opportunity with the Haliburton County Food for Kids program.

The program's new co-ordinator Aaron Walker has a vested interest because of his children: a son at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, a son at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School and a daughter at Stuart Baker Elementary School.

"It's great to go to one of the schools [where my children are and see them in their element and help their classmates. Also, I started volunteering with the program because I saw a real need in this county," he said. "I don't have to choose between rent or hydro and food. I thought it was definitely something I should help in."

Started in 1999, the program provides healthy food to 2,200 children from seven schools in Haliburton County: Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School, Stuart Baker Elementary School, Adult Education and Training Centre, Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Cardiff Elementary School and Wilberforce Elementary School. Walker has three years of experience as a volunteer with the program, including co-ordinating the JDHES program and, most recently, time on the steering commit-

Former co-ordinator Jenna Burnett approached Walker to

"I wouldn't have even considered it unless she had encouraged me and thought that I was the right person for that," he

A chef by trade, Walker is knowledgeable in safe food handling and menu development.

With his background in business and administrative experience, including volunteer recruitment and fundraising, he is an ideal candidate. Although he was born and raised in Toronto, Walker has lived in West Guilford for the past seven years with his wife and three children. He was first drawn to the area because his mother, Angel Taylor, was involved with agriculture in the county. He's a proponent of eating locally and has endorsed the 100-mile diet linking chefs to farms. He has also given his culinary skills and time to SIRCH events such as the Harvest Dinner. Walker wants to expand the pro-





Darren Lum Staff

Aaron Walker of West Guilford is the newest student nutrition co-ordinator for the Haliburton County Food for Kids program. Walker, a chef by trade and a father of three, is excited for this opportunity.

gram to five days from the current three, starting with JDHES and then HHSS.

The point I want to make here is because we're [feeding] a hundred kids a day, obviously if they need it Monday. Wednesday and Friday then they also need it on Tuesday and Thursday," he said.

His idea to expand the JDHES program requires three additional volunteers to the existing eight. None of the service is possible without volunteers. Anybody can do it, he said, and all it takes is one hour a day between and 8 a.m. and 9 a.m.

'It's a fun atmosphere. You get to see first-hand the kids benefiting from the program," he said.

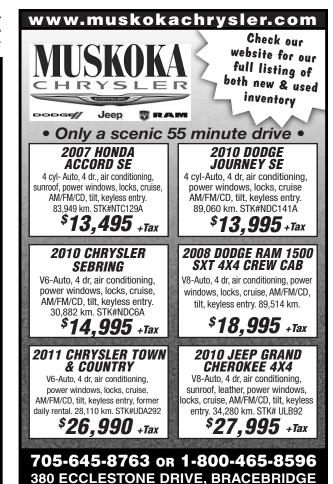
Volunteer candidates must have a police check conducted. The application is available through the participating schools, he said. Walker encourages donations and points out the program has low administrative costs and that "the dollars get turned into food directly."

"I see a lot of people in need. I just feel in Haliburton County if you are somebody who is not in need it's a personal mandate to help everyone else," he said. "It's just a matter of

Contact Walker at 705-455-2350 or email awalkerfood-4kids@gmail.com.

For additional information or updates see www.studentnutritionprogram.ca or visit their Facebook page: Food for Kids Haliburton.







The Black River shown from a still from The Land Between film. The three-part series about the ecology and culture of the area between the Canadian Shield and St. Lawrence Lowlands will be airing on TV Ontario. Image courtesy of The Land Between

Film seeks to unite area

Jenn Watt

Editor

"The Land Between" is an ecotone - a place where other

Running between the Canadian Shield to the north and the St. Lawrence Lowlands to the south, The Land Between is a space where things - people, plants, animals, water - come together.

It follows the water from Parry Sound, sliding east across Haliburton County, encompassing Kawartha Lakes and on to Lakefield and Tweed.

A new film aimed at getting that message out and situating the land as a distinct biosphere was screened in Haliburton to close out the Haliburton International Film Fes-

A large crowd nearly filled the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion to hear from the film's executive producer Leora Berman about the making of the three-part project.

"This took us a year of sitting around the table with First Nations and mapping out exactly what we wanted to do with this documentary," Berman said in an interview after the showing.

It took two years to film.

The product is a high definition series that examines the ecology of The Land Between, its history, its peoples and the distinct culture the land has fostered.

Several familiar faces appear in the film including Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve owner Peter Schleifenbaum, artist John Beachli and former Haliburton Highlands Museum director Tom Ballantine.

On Sunday, a shorter version of the documentary was shown that cut out other Haliburton interviews including Derek Little and David Flowers.

The film was created by director Zach Melnick and Visual Heritage Project producer Yvonne Drebert and includes stunning footage of the landscape.

Berman, who is also the managing director of The Land Between organization based in Haliburton, said it's been a struggle to get the message out that this is not only a distinct ecological area, but also one with a special history.

"The Land Between as an organization ... it focuses on both culture and nature," Berman said. "We do do a lot of cultural stuff. It's the story of this land."

Western culture focuses on political, rather than natural, territories and boundaries, which makes convincing people to think east-west rather than north-south chal-

'[Politics] is how we organize ourselves, but yet our culture is based on the landscape ... rather than the political boundaries," she said.

The Land Between film takes the viewer back into the history of the Aboriginal peoples - where they lived, how they regarded the land, the conflicts they had with each other and with the newcomers.

It also follows Samuel de Champlain's journey through the wilderness and then the struggles of the settlers, who came for farmland that never lived up to the hype.

The story starts with how native people saw potential in living between two separate ecosystems - each providing its own medicines, materials and food sources.

It then describes how this space was chosen for its water routes (think Trent Severn Waterway), natural resources (lumber, minerals) and eventually tourism potential.

Berman said she wants the film to inform people of what they already innately know: The Land Between is

"When [people] understand that where they are makes them who they are, they take care of it," Berman said.

And her audience is about to get bigger.

TV Ontario has agreed to run the three-part series, and they are in talks with PBS and APTN.

There is a smartphone app in the works that will allow users to virtually tour The Land Between and special packages for teachers to use the film in their classrooms.

Berman's also attempting to have the region declared an "international biosphere" by the United Nations.

She hopes the attention ends up growing her organization, which does research, conservation and education on

The Land Between will be for sale from www.visualheritage.ca and will air on TVO, though air dates have yet to be confirmed.

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Haliburton artist Shelley

Beach finds inspiration

Kennisis Lake. Artwork by Beach was recently

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selected to go on a collection of Christmas

in her studio overlooking

Local watercolour artist selected for charity holiday cards

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

Shelley Beach taught herself how to paint.

The local watercolour artist had many different careers before finding her way into art, which she stumbled into almost by accident.

"I started taking it seriously in the 1980s. I was taking classes and eventually started teaching classes," she said.

Married with two children, Beach decided to go back to school in 2000, the year her kids finished university, enrolling at the Ontario College of Art and Design.

Graduating in 2004, Beach found herself drawn to watercolours, her "first love", after dabbling in other mediums.

A longtime cottager and now full-time resident on Kennisis Lake, Beach, 62, spends most of her days painting contemporary, abstract and realism pieces.

Alternating between watercolours and acrylics, Beach loves to paint outdoors, inspired by the scenic Haliburton landscape and natural environment. Other subjects of interest include still life and century architecture.

'People like to put me into a little mould somehow, saying this is what you do. But I don't just do that, I do this and this. So why can't I do it all?" asked Beach.

As an artist who works diligently at promoting herself and getting her name out there, Beach is a member of the website www.artiststoronto.net, which includes a link to her own website.

It was through this site that a selection of Beach's artwork was chosen to be featured on holiday cards supporting the Children's Wish Foundation.

"This fellow who does these cards contacted me ... he said he saw my work on the website and wondered if I



would be interested."

Although sold by a private company, a portion of the proceeds from each of the cards will go toward the charitable organization, which grants wishes to children diagnosed with terminal illnesses.

Images that were selected include traditional winter landscapes done in watercolours.

'It's for a good cause and it gets my name out there," said Beach, who receives a small portion from every card that

Other artists featured on the cards include Lawren Harris, Clarence A. Gagnon and D.R. Laird.

A member of the Haliburton Highlands Arts Council,

Beach was thrilled to be selected for the opportunity.

"It's funny how life happens like that; you can try and enter things and do self-promotion and then things just pop up out of the blue."

To learn more about the cards supporting Children's Wish Foundation, including how to order them, visit www.charitycards.ca. Cards can be custom designed and ordered.

The cards featuring artwork by Beach can be found by clicking on "view all cards," and searching numbers 12204, 12205, 12206, 12207 and 12208.

More information on Beach's work can be found at www. theshelleybeach.com.



Municipality looking at buying historic school

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

The municipality of Dysart has its eyes on the Victoria Street School.

Talks between the municipality and the Trillium Lakelands District School Board have been ongoing for a few months, with Dysart showing interest in purchasing the historic building and property.

"At the moment we are still in discussion," said Catherine Shedden, communications manager for the TLDSB.

While no further details have been released, Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey has also confirmed ongoing talks between the municipality and the school board regarding the building.

According to Shedden the municipality is the only party that has entered into discussions with the board.

In May of this year the TLDSB announced it would be classifying the school, located on the corner of Victoria and Pine streets, as a surplus building with the intention of placing it on the real estate market.

Before it could do that it would be offering it to government and educational institutions at fair market value, protocol that is set out in the Education Act.

Fearrey has previously expressed interest in seeing the municipality take possession of the building and land it sits on, stating it would be a good potential site for housing or recreation purposes.

Community Living has also told council it should turn the former school into a housing and administration complex for their organization.

The deed for the property adjacent to the land where the school sits was donated to the Haliburton County Board (now TLDSB) by Ronald, John and Thomas Hodgson for

Signed in 1974, the deed states that if and when the board does not intend to use the land for educational purposes it is to revert back to the grantor or the municipality of Dysart.

Built in the mid 1920s, the school served as Haliburton's main educational facility until 1972, when J.D. Hodgson Elementary School was built.

In 1999, Stuart Baker Elementary School was built, at which point the Victoria Street School became home to the Adult Education and Training Centre.



Instructor Greg Shantz, left, helps student Cole McLean at the new location for the Adult Education and Training Centre on Nov. 9 in Haliburton Village.

Angelica Blenich Staff

The recent announcement by the school board meant groups using the facility would have to be relocated.

In June, Youth Unlimited vacated the school, where it held its youth drop-in centre known as The Bridge. The organization is still seeking a permanent home.

The AETC was moved to the former Haliburton board office on Oct. 24, later than was originally intended due to a delay in renovations.

Since the transition both the students and staff have adjusted well, said Anne Cooper, principal and acting manager of the AETCs throughout TLDSB.

"It's been really good, the students made the adjustment very well and the teachers have been amazing," she said.

The students are still settling into their new surroundings, which includes multiple classrooms, a music room and a fully equipped kitchen, used for the school's snack program.

To date no mention of the former location has occurred, said Cooper.

"They haven't talked about the Victoria Street school. I think they've accepted the

Sticking to a regular schedule has assisted in making the move go more smoothly, as has the friendly neighbourly atmosphere the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and J. D. Hodgson Elementary School have provided.

"The kids over at JDH have been exemplarily, we have been welcomed by everyone," said Cooper.

TLDSB trustee Gary Brohman has made multiple visits to the new building, connecting with the staff and close to 60 students enrolled at the centre.

The AETC is still awaiting the arrival of some new, custom-made furniture, as well as the students' artwork, which is currently at the former school.

In the future Cooper plans to host an open house, extending an opportunity for the entire community to see the changes at the facility firsthand.



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Filling up on food

Volunteers sort through an estimated 5,000 pounds of donated non-perishables that went through the Dysart Arena for the Fill the Truck food drive on Wednesday, Nov. 7. The Cardiff, Minden and Haliburton food banks were recipients. More than 12,000 pounds of food were collected. Social media such as Facebook helped to increase pledges made by organizations and businesses throughout the county. This effort was founded by John Teljeur who believed donations for food banks are traditionally down at this time of the year.

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Haliburton County's lakes and rivers are not among the bodies of water to be covered under the new Navigation Protection Act.

The federal government's newest omnibus budget bill, Bill C-45, contains amendments to 64 acts and regulations.

Among them is the Navigable Waters Protection Act, which is having its named changed to the Navigation Protection Act.

Introduced in 1882, the act gives the federal government authority over any factors affecting public right to navigation on Canadian waters.

The Transport Canada website defines navigable water as "any body of water, capable, in its natural state, of being navigated by any type of floating vessel for the purpose of transportation, recreation or commerce and includes a canal and any other body of water created or altered for the benefit of the public, as a result of the waterway assigned for public use."

The revised act would narrow its scope to cover the three oceans touching Canada, 97 lakes and 62 rivers.

Other bodies of water will no longer be covered by the act.

In Haliburton County, Lake of Bays still qualifies as a navigable body of water, but other lakes do not. None of the county's rivers would be included either.

This is not sitting well the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow.

În a letter drafted to Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin, coalition co-chairmen Chris Riddle and Martin Rist question why lakes in the county - such as the Boshkung, Twelve Mile, Mountain and Horseshoe system - were left out while lakes of similar size in Muskoka were included.

"We question the process for inclusion in the schedule and would like to understand the specific criteria for inclusion and how it was the above quoted abnormalities occurred," they wrote.

Devolin told the *Times* that the act has strayed from its original purpose and been used as a political tool by some.

"I can tell you in our area, right in Haliburton County, over the years we've had a number of complaints that the navigable waters act was being used and invoked in all kinds of situations where there is no navigation taking place on rivers and streams," he

Devolin said sometimes getting over the regulatory hurdles in the act can end up costing municipalities tens of thousands of extra dollars for projects near waterways.

The navigable waters act is supposed to be about navigation," he said. "Over the years it has been morphed and drifted into being used for many other purposes."

Devolin noted there is a separate environmental assessment process in place for some

The budget bill also contains amendments to the Environmental Assessment Act, weakening the criteria for projects that require environmental assessments.

"What we're trying to move towards is the notion of one project, one approval process," Devolin said, adding that in the past, it's been common for a single project to be held up because of having to meet the requirements of two or three different pieces of legislation.

The MP was asked what he thought was more important, economy or environment.

"I think the two go hand in hand, but I think there needs to be a process that determines what the environmental impact for a project is, but I think that environmental legislation is being misused when people for whatever reason don't want a project to go

At 450 pages, the budget bill has been criticized by the Opposition for its length and for containing items that seem to be non-budgetary in nature, such as changes to environmental regulations.

Devolin reasoned that at some level, all the changes in bill could be linked to the government saving money in some way and as for the length said, "there's kind of a political science 101 question here, which is how much work that the government does should be done through standalone bills and how much of it should be in the general budget bill itself."

The MP said there has been a long-term trend of putting more in the budget and having fewer separate bills.

I can understand why the government does it and the government does it because... if you're trying to balance a budget that isn't balanced, you need to get everything passed," Devolin said.

A section of the legislation dealing with changes to MP pension has been separated to be dealt with as its own bill and Devolin said 14 other parts of the budget have been divided up to go through committee.

The MP was asked what he made of the fact that Prime Minister Stephen Harper, as a Reform MP in 1994, had criticized the use of omnibus legislation by the Liberal party as undemocratic.

"I think you could argue that every budget bill everypassed was an omnibus bill," Devolin said. "The question is has this process of budgets getting bigger and bigger gone too

Among other things, the budget bill includes changes to Immigration and Refugee Protection Act, the Indian Act, the Canadian Pension Plan.

It also contains pay raises for judges.





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OHTO reflects on last year at AGM

Barbara Shaw

Special to the Echo

The clubhouse at River's Edge Golf Course was filled to capacity on Oct. 29 as tourism stakeholders gathered for the Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization tourism conference and AGM.

The day brought performance updates, discussion on the direction of the OHTO as well as a strong focus on the OHvation customer service designation. Attendees were engaged as the recreational geology project co-ordinator Michael Bainbridge provided an energetic update on where his program is at. Bainbridge told the gathering he has been busy helping stake claims, develop and identify more mineral collecting sites and he's been bringing students to the area.

"20 kids tell 40 parents and then they buy new booklets from the Bancroft Chamber," Bainbridge said.

There's been work on a hike and it's now market-ready for self-guided tours.

Bainbridge highlighted how perfect a match recreational geology is for the OHTO as so many unique geological assets are located within the OHTO borders.

"Packaging has already begun," said Bainbridge. "It's about putting heads in beds and building on the momentum of what we've done to keep the momentum going."

OHTO manager Nicole Whiting says the OHTO is indeed building on momentum and building partnerships.

'The OHTO works in collaboration with organizational partners to leverage community-based activities that are in line with regional objectives," Whiting said. "For instance, customer service development is a priority for our region. If customer service development is also recognized as a priority in Bancroft then the Bancroft and District Chamber of Commerce can take advantage of our Workshop Partnership Program to deliver training to businesses at a fraction of the cost they would incur on their own. As we continue to develop our programs, we are very mindful of presenting opportunities for

Barbara Shaw Special to the Echo

Recreational geology project co-ordinator Michael Bainbridge provides an update on his work at the Ontario Highland's Tourism Organization AGM in Bancroft on Oct.

organizations to collaborate with us with the goal of engaging operators and other stakeholders at the local level." As for measurable outcomes, some at the conference were wondering just how many tourists had been brought to the region as a result of the provincially funded agency's work.

Whiting says this is harder to answer.

"Tracking visitation is very difficult in general," Whiting says. "Tracking visitation is extremely expensive particularly in a region such as ours which is very broad geographically and communities are also very spread out. This makes capturing this data beyond our capabilities as an organization. Also, apart from the challenges associated with data collection, it is

very difficult to tie a broad metric such as 'visitation' to any one particular activity. Consumers are exposed to a wide array of marketing messages that play into their decision to eventually commit to visiting a destination. All of this being said, as an organization we try our best, within our means, to measure the success of everything we do by identifying the metrics we can feasibly measure."

Whiting says the OHTO is investing in an aggressive digital marketing approach for this very reason.

"We can track conversion with incredible precision," Whiting said. "This enables us to make much more informed marketing decisions."



Reads of the week



Book of the Week:

Whirl Away by Russell Wangersky

Whirl Away by Russell Wangersky, shortlisted for this year's Giller Prize, is a short fiction collection focused on those moments when people are yanked from their ordinary, day-to-day lives. These stories are about men and women pushed to the edge, victims of circumstance or of their own inadequacies, often ending up in conflict that whirls their everyday existence into disarray. With excellent writing, biting dialogue and striking imagery, these stories delve deep into the universality of human desperation. If you enjoy Canadian short fiction, Whirl Away may be the book for you. Reserve it in print or e-book formats from the Haliburton County Public Library.

Junior Book of the Week **Picture Book Title**

Bear Has A Story To Tell by Philip C. Stead Bear has a story to tell, but winter is coming and everyone's too busy to hear what he has to say. He tries to tell his tale to Mouse and Duck and Frog and Mole but no one has time to listen. Will his tale ever be heard? Read the aptly titled and beautifully illustrated Bear has a Story to Tell to find out whether Bear will ever be able

to share with his friends. A delightful picture book, written and illustrated by the Caldecott award winning husband and wife team Philip C. Stead and Erin E. Stead, Bear Has A Story To Tell is available to be reserved from Haliburton County Public Library today.

Local Celebrity Read



Jean Collier of Minden, a retired teacher, recently enjoyed the new novel The Roots of the Olive Tree by Courtney Miller Santo.

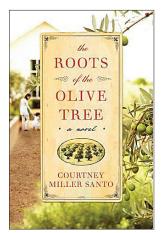
"I read the summary and discovered that it was about five generations of first-born women, living together on an olive grove in California," says Collier. "Their ages ranged from 112 years to 20ish.

"Although by age the women are extraordinary, they seem at the beginning to be living an

ordinary life ... until a certain geneticist, Dr. Hashimi, gets their permission to study them, using all methods available, hoping to find the gene to their longevity.

'The story line grabbed my attention."

Collier concludes, "This novel would appeal to readers who like a book in which the main characters are explored in depth, with surprising turns and earthshattering truths revealed."



News & Events

Free children's programming is being offered on Saturday mornings at the Minden branch. Stop by at 10 a.m. for stories, games and crafts.

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Land Trust acquires fourth nature reserve

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust has acquired its fourth nature reserve - a wetland complex near South

The 100-acre property, which is home to many important species and habitats, strengthens a block of nearby protected areas, which include the Queen Elizabeth II Wildlands Provincial Park, Snowdon Park and adjoining

The property was given to the Land Trust by Dennis Barry through Canada's Ecological Gifts Program, which provides tax incentives to people who wish to donate ecologically important land for future protection.

Dennis and his wife, Margaret Carney, are keen birdwatchers who run the local Christmas Bird Count. They are also heavily involved in the Thickson's Woods Land Trust, which is dedicated to protecting an area of old growth White Pines on the edge of Lake Ontario near Whitby.

"Margaret and I feel it is critically important to ensure long-term protection for the wetland complex," said Barry. We feel that the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust is in the best position to bring this about."

The Land Trust already protects three other nature reserves in Haliburton County: Norah's Island, a muchloved island on Kennisis Lake; Dahl Forest, a 500-acre property straddling the Burnt River near Gelert; and Smith Forest, near Black Lake, north-east of Haliburton Village.

"We are delighted that Dennis Barry has donated this land to us," said Sheila Ziman, chairwoman, Haliburton Highlands Land Trust. "Our major concern is that this important wetland habitat be protected in perpetuity. Part of this extensive wetland complex is on surrounding Crown land, so having the Land Trust own the heart of the wetland should help ensure that surrounding areas are protected as well."

Beavers have occupied the wetland continuously since

at least the 1940s, and probably since long before the first settlers arrived.

Their presence increases the possibility that the nature reserve is home to a large and diverse number of species. The wetland is confirmed habitat for Blanding's turtle, which is a threatened species in Ontario.

Canada warblers and olive-sided flycatchers, which are also species at risk, have been documented there. Two dragonflies - incurvate emerald and brush-tipped emerald, have also been seen in the nature reserve.

Incurvate emerald is extremely rare in Ontario. The nature reserve is at the headwaters of Kendrick Creek, which eventually joins the Irondale River, a tributary of the Burnt River, which runs through two of the Land Trust's other properties: Dahl Forest and Smith Forest. "It's interesting that everything is connected, as nature tends to be when it is not messed about by us," says Ziman. - Submit-

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Providing local inspiration

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There were close to 100 people at the Echoes opening at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton on Saturday, Nov. 3. Echoes is the result of a year-long exercise where each piece is a response to another's work. The show runs from Nov. 3 to Jan. 12. The gallery is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday to Saturday. Admission is free, but donations are accepted.



Local artist Rose Pearson speaks with an exhibition goer at the Echoes opening at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton on Saturday, Nov. 3. Pearson is exhibiting with Gail Nicholson, Lois Raw, Maija Stone, Elizabeth Turner and Terry Wright.

Canoe FM funded to improve volunteer management

Canoe FM is proud to announce that it is one of the first recipients of Radiometres: Measuring the development, participation and sustainability of campus and community radio stations, a new program offered by the Community Radio Fund of Canada (CRFC).

\$1 million was being offered for this first round of funding and Canoe FM received \$16,800 to implement its project The Canoe FM Volunteer Management Program.

This amount will be invested in creating, implementing and evaluating a comprehensive volunteer program that will be consistent and sustainable over time. Central to the project will be the creation of print materials: volunteer handbook, orientation manual, volunteer training modules and volunteer records, feedback and evaluation data. The project will also include volunteer training sessions designed to meet the unique needs of administrative/office, on air broadcast, fundraiser, committee, programmers, remote broadcaster, promotional/marketing and accounting and volunteers serving as members of the board of directors in leadership roles. Finally, the Canoe FM volunteer management project will include innovative and regularly planned radio and community activities designed to support, recognize and appreciate volunteers.

"Canoe is thrilled to have been awarded a Radiometres grant. This grant will enable us to develop and implement a much needed volunteer management program. We will be able to hire a co-ordinator to create an organizational manual, develop service specific handbooks and position descriptions and offer hands-on training sessions," Roxanne Casey of

"We sincerely thank the Community Radio Fund for seeing that we had a need to develop a Volunteer Training Program and believing in us enough to approve our application for funding," said Casey.

With Radiometres comes the idea of measurement. Beyond simply funding activities, the CRFC encourages stations to evaluate their current needs, determine specific longterm goals, and more importantly, put in place tools to measure their progress", says CRFC president John Harris Stevenson. The CRFC supports the 175 licensed campus and community radio stations across Canada. With Radiometres, the CRFC wishes to support high-quality music and spoken word programming and volunteer and diverse community participation in station's activities.

For more information about Canoe FM and "The Canoe FM Volunteer Management Program", please visit www.canoefm. com. For more information about the CRFC and all of its recipients, please visit www.communityradiofund.org.

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Local politicians participate in Movember



Campaign about bringing awareness to important issue

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

Steve Kauffeldt is growing a sparse looking mustache.

The Highlands East councillor is willing to risk looking foolish for a month in support of raising awareness and funds for prostate cancer.

The nationwide campaign asks men to grow a mustache for the month of November in an effort to "change the face of men's health," according to Movember Canada's official website.

On Nov. 1 Kauffeldt challenged other men and local politicians to join him.

For the second year in a row the councillor from Cardiff has decided to get involved in what he believes is an important cause.

Although he only raised \$20 in pledges last year, Kauffeldt is hoping to at least double if not triple that figure this year.

"I haven't even started collecting pledges yet because I barely have a mustache. I grow facial hair very slowly," he said.

Even if no one accepts Kauffeldt's chal-

lenge, the councillor is just happy to bring awareness to the issue.

Dysart Councillor Walt McKechnie is all



You just try to get the awareness out. Getting checked early is No. 1.

— Walt McKechnie councillor and cancer survivor

too familiar with the importance of raising awareness about prostate cancer.

The former NHL hockey player was diagnosed with the disease five years ago and credits his recovery to early detection.

McKechnie has been involved with Prostate Cancer Canada and Movember ever since his personal experience.

'You just try to get the awareness out. Getting checked early is Nov. 1," he said.

Since his 40s, McKechnie has been getting checked regularly for any signs of abnormalities with his Prostate-Specific Antigen (PSA), not taking anything for



Dysart Councillor Walt McKechnie is growing facial hair for the month of November in support of Movember, a national campaign aimed at bringing awareness to prostate cancer, a cause that is close to his heart.

Angelica Blenich Staff

"With my doctor having 20 years of charts on me with my PSA count, at age 60 it peaked and we moved on it right away."

Through consultations, visits with specialists and therapy treatments, McKechnie was able to beat cancer.

Now 65, he is sporting facial hair in hopes that it will get people talking and thinking about the issue.

He believes there is no excuse when it comes to taking care of your health.

"I would say nowadays people are just

learning so much more about every type of disease. But guys today, when you get over 40, for what it takes and costs ... it's just one simple test."

And that test can make all the difference. 'I'm a firm believer that early detection is the key to everything. Even if you have a head cold, the sooner you catch it the sooner you will be feeling better," said McK-

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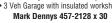
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TROUT needs councils to think beyond finances

Barbara Shaw

Special to the Echo

Media gathered at the Community Care North Hastings offices on Nov. 2 as Gord MacDonald released the thick report he's about to deliver to local municipal councils including Highlands East.

MacDonald is heading out over the next month to visit each council to share details about how The Rural Overland Utility Transit (TROUT) has been doing.

MacDonald also hopes to collect political support and financial commitments from each of the municipalities he

As well as looking for a commitment to support the public transportation system, MacDonald will be recommending that a transit commission be formed as a governance structure for the public transit service.

The commission would have a representative from each council, a member of the chamber and a representative from the system's ridership.

MacDonald says more stakeholders involved will "strengthen and enhance the service," which runs on the east side of Haliburton County and into Bancroft.

Also to be presented to councils is the suggestion of a fare increase.

The low cost for riders, a loonie in town, has made the system attractive to users but with the research done by CCNH, MacDonald believes small fare increases will be understood and accepted by riders.

The third recommendation MacDonald will make to councils is that they commit to a funding formula that will be based not on population but on a "total private dwelling model."

With this formula, each household would be asked to contribute \$11.72 for public transportation. The amount can be added to tax bills as a separate line item clearly visible to ratepayers.

This third recommendation provides a fair and equitable financial formula across all municipalities in determining their annual municipal contribution," MacDonald explained. "Municipal contributions are important because public transportation is for everyone and is available to everyone in all municipalities."

MacDonald also goes to the municipal leaders with evidence of support from local ratepayers who responded to the TROUT's postcard survey this summer. The survey had an impressive 11 per cent response rate.

The responses were clearly in support of the public transportation system and there was support from those who use the TROUT but also support from those who don't ride the system.

Whatever the municipal councils decide, the survey results are clear; North Hastings residents value their unique public transportation system.

Without municipal support, CCNH can not tap into gas

tax rebate funding and there would be a negative impact across the region.

"Public transit is an economic driver and an important development of infrastructure for the region," MacDonald said. "It provides employment, supports employment, promotes mobility and spending and reduces health care costs by keeping people active and in their homes."

Once MacDonald makes his presentation he'll have to wait for the response of regional councils. He's not expecting an immediate decision but he hopes for good news in

"There are three bottom lines to public transit," MacDonald says. "There is the financial bottom line, there is the social bottom line and there is the environmental bottom line. This is a shift away from just considering the financial bottom line."

It will be a tough pitch as MacDonald faces cashstrapped municipal councils but the report he will be delivering is packed with easy-to-understand data, survey results and rider comments. It also contains affirming feedback from the Queen's University Monieson Centre following their exploration and analysis of the public transporta-

His first council visit was on Nov. 6. He is scheduled to meet with Highlands East council on Nov. 13.

'Sustainability can be achieved with the political will of council members and the financial support of all the municipalities," says MacDonald.









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Far left, Gerda Gemballa sent in this photo of a heron on Haliburton Lake.

Left, Wendy Vermeersch has a buck, doe and two fawns visiting her home in the Halbiem Crescent area of Haliburton. She sent in this photo of two of them.

Bottom left, Belinda Gallagher from Tory Hill sent in this photo of evening grosbeaks having a snack on the way through.

Bottom centre, Laura Smith captured this photo of a buck near her house in Kennisis.

Bottom right, Thomas Hoar captured this photo of a northern flying squirrel at their cottage on the Irondale River. He has had several visits by the flying squirrel this year.





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A fall formal dinner was held on Friday, Oct. 26 for the residents of Highland Wood and their families. This is an annual event where all departments have a helping hand in making it an evening the residents cannot forget. Submitted by Janine Burk



Connie Robinson, activity aide and Robbie Robertson have some fun. Photos by Janine Burk



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Local actor fulfills dream

Anyone who's seen a play in Haliburton County in the past 12 years will know Tim Nicholson. He's been a virtual fixture in the theatre scene since he started acting

Nicholson has performed in close to 30 shows for the Highlands Summer Festival and the Highlands Little Theatre. His first lead role was in There Goes the Bride.

The chameleon actor with a penchant for stealing scenes is inviting theatre lovers to see him in Oliver!, as Fagin with Dreamcoat Fantasy Theatre at the West Ferris Secondary School theatre in North Bay.

"I saw Oliver on stage in Sterling about 10 years ago and I saw Fagin. [I told myself] 'One of these days I want to be able to play him.' This opportunity came up. I don't care I have to drive to North Bay to do this. It's a dream character for me," he said. "He's such a great character ... He's got great music to work with to start. His songs are excellent. He's the calming force in amongst all the violence occurring in the show."

Oliver! is the musical adaptation of Charles Dickens's classic novel of an orphan who escapes an orphanage and joins the family of boys led by Fagin.

Nicholson's opportunity arose from a conversation with a theatre friend from North Bay, asking about another theatre friend, who happened to be auditioning for

Mere moments after the conversation he received a text to audition for the role.

After being short-listed for the call back, he was chosen to play this role, which he considers perfect for this stage of his life.

"It's perfect because being the more mature actor now (I'm not saying old) ... it's perfect for me," he said. "I don't have to act younger or older. He is about my age."

Although he didn't reveal his true age, he laughed and said he is in his 50s.

Nicholson, whose family has been coming here since he was a child, and wife Ann MacDonald have lived in the South Lake area since the 1990s.

Married for 35 years, Nicholson said she is his biggest fan.

The show opens Dec. 5 and ends Dec. 8. It includes evening shows at 7:30 and a matinee performance at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and available by calling 705-472-1590.

- by Darren Lum, staff



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Sports





Darren Lum Staff

Red Hawks junior quarterback Devon Upton, left, passes while Matt Sexsmith carries the ball in the tier two Kawartha Championship at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton on Thursday, Nov. 8. The Red Hawks lost to the visiting Fenelon Falls Secondary School Falcons 26-6.

Falcons nullify storybook season ending

Darren Lum Staff reporter

It's never easy to lose.

When it comes in the championship game at home it's even more difficult.

However, the Red Hawks junior football team is taking solace in a strong campaign.

Coach Bruce Griffith, who reminded his team they were still playing in November, said they won before they set out on the field against the Fenelon Falls Secondary School Falcons for the tier two Kawartha Championships at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton on Thursday, Nov. 8.

After the game he repeated the sentiment and credited the Falcons for the win

"We had a great season. We met our match in the final one, but we knew they would be good," he said. "They're a tier one team, a big school and they're really talented. They had lots of weapons. They're really fast."

Several turnovers didn't help. Griffith attributes it to the time of the year.

"A lot of that you could tell was because of deer hunting season. A lot of guys missed practice. You can tell. Missed passes and missed catches, missed fumbles. That's what happens. It was fun. We had a great season," he said.

Coming in, the tier one Falcons earned their championship berth, beating Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School by 10 points in the playoffs. They had just one win in their tier one season before crossing over to tier two for the playoffs. The Red Hawks finished tier two in third and lost to TASS, expecting stiff competition.

For most of the first quarter both teams' defences held firm, allowing few first downs.

Like most junior games, a breakout play resulted in a momentum shift.

The Falcons struck first after their defence picked off a Red Hawks Devon Upton pass. They reclaimed possession inside the 50 yard line.

Falcons quarterback Patrick Pearson, who scored two touchdowns in the game, not only scored on a 45-yard run, but used his speed and strength to do it in dramatic fashion.

He was slowed in the backfield, but broke a pair of tackles and once through the line of scrimmage ran into the end zone for six points.

Still just down a touchdown, the Red Hawks defence played well and limited Falcons gains. With 9:03 left in the second, the Falcons added to the score with another momentum builder, scoring off a draw play that resulted in a 45-plus yard touchdown run. Their successful extra-point conversion gave them a commanding 13-0 lead.

Haliburton's defence, undeterred by the Falcons' two big plays, continued to keep it close.

Red Hawks player Matt Sexsmith stuffed Pearson's bid for a first down shifting momentum momentarily back to the home side. If anything it gave the Red Hawks faithful, who lined the sidelines, something to cheer about.

A few minutes later on a Falcons drive with the ball inside the HHSS 30-yard line, the Red Hawks defence showed they belonged in the championship, stuffing a third down and short attempt.

The subsequent offensive drive for the Red Hawks used Sexsmith for a first down run.

Despite the positives, the Red Hawks offence couldn't capitalize to build on the defensive stands.

There were just a few minutes left in the first half when a Red Hawks offen-

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Darren Lum Staff ts. left. is tackled by

Red Hawks junior player Braden Roberts, left, is tackled by Falcons player Grayson Thornbury.

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Darren Lum Staff

Red Hawks junior kickreturner Matt O'Reilly, right, runs back a kick, trying to evade Fenelon Falls Secondary School player Griffin Webster.

Duchene playing hockey in Sweden

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Haliburton's Matt Duchene is skating with the Frolunda Indians in Sweden now that the NHL lockout has

Duchene, who has played for the Colorado Avalanche since 2009, joined the Indians of the Elitserien league the second week of October.

He announced his decision on Twitter and has agreed to play for the duration of the lockout.

"Can't wait to arrive in Gothenburg on Thursday evening and to get an Indians jersey on," he said on Twitter. "To all the Avs fans, I'm even more excited to get back in the burgundy and blue! Hopefully it is soon."

The NHL has cancelled the pre-season and the regular season games through the month of November. So far there have been close to 30 per cent of the season's games lost to the lockout.

Also in Sweden is teammate Gabriel Landeskog, who is originally from Sweden.

Landeskog is playing for Djurgardens of the Swedish Allsvenkans league - the second highest league behind

Optimism despite losing players to seniors

sive turnover resulted in a Falcons defensive touchdown. With an extra point added, the Red Hawks had an uphill battle 20-0.

Although there were a few bright spots such as a Red Hawks successful end zone stand that created a Falcons turnover, hard runs from Mac Rider, and an Upton 45-yard touchdown pass to Hunter Smith in the fourth, the game was dominated by the visitors.

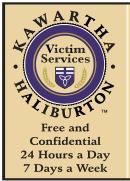
The Falcons were helped in no small part by Clark Peel, who was a factor in gaining strong field position through several kick returns of 20-plus yards each and pass and rush defence efforts. Peel's third quarter interception robbed the

Despite the lopsided score, the Red Hawks were applauded by their fans, which remained for the duration of the 26-6 loss.

Next year, like every year, the juniors will be rebuilding. The perennial problem of losing players to the senior team is present this coming year.

Griffith, though, is positive about a few core players returning for another year.

"We have lots of Grade 9s starting. We have Mac Rider our tailback. Our kicker, Jaydon Wood, he's a Grade 9. Ryan Hill on defence and Ethan Cooper on defence ... we'll be good."



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Midget BB girls fine-tune scoring

Tuesday, Nov. 6, the Minden Car Quest/Canadian Tire Midget BB girls' Storm hockey team hosted the tough and talented Lindsay Lynx in Minden at 8 p.m. The girls tried to carry their strong weekend play into a game they knew would be a challenge. The team started the game a little flat and this slow start resulted in the difference on the scoreboard. Lindsay scored off a reverse pass from behind the net that surprised the defence squad. The Lynx also tallied a late first period rebound goal that seemed to deflate the Storm girls. A stronger second period provided some scoring opportunities for the Storm snipers but the solid goaltending in the Lindsay Lynx net shut down all Storm shooters, as Lindsay also added another goal. The girls continued to battle and picked up the pace of play in the third period but could not solve the Lynx tender. Lindsay scored a fourth goal midway through the third period to push their total to the 4-0 win. Keep up the determination, girls, as we hit the road and travel south to North Durham and Clarington on Saturday as we try to fine-tune our scoring touch.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

Two-game road trip teaches lessons in patience

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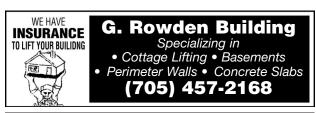


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Midget BB girls travelled to Durham West and Clarington on Saturday for their two-game road trip. The Storm girls fell behind 2-0 in both their games. In the first game against the Durham West Blades, the Highland Storm squad battled back to a 2-1 deficit off a wrister from Tammy Everitt, heading in to the third period. The Blades used the fresh ice in the third period to their advantage and pulled away from the Storm girls with three unanswered goals. Final score 5-1.

The second game against the Clarington Flames started out much the same with the Minden Car Quest/Canadian Tire Storm girls falling behind 2-0 again. This time, the girls battled back in the second period to tie the game 2-2. Alex Litwin opened the Storm scoring off a nice feed from Kelsey Maracle. Cassidy Garbutt tied the game off another good passing play from Erin Little and Kenndal Marsden. The third period held many good scoring chances for both squads. The Storm kept up the attack and mid-way through the third period, Alicia McLean showed great patience and precision passing as she set up Jessica Duchene for a onetimer in the slot with a beauty saucer pass. Duchene's snap shot proved to be the game winner - final score 3-2.

Great positive attitude and determination girls as you did not let the earlier afternoon tilt take away from competing in the evening game. Keep up the smart, aggressive team play as we travel to Barrie this weekend to play in our first tourney of the year. We will face teams for our provincial play-downs





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later this year, which could prove to be a good play-off test.

Also, tickets are still available for our Midget BB "all-youcan-eat" spaghetti dinner team fundraiser at That Place in Carnarvon on Wednesday, Nov. 28 from 5 to 8 p.m. \$15 per adult, \$10 for children under 16 and free for children under

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A warm West Guilford welcome

West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278

Welcome to Sue and Alex don Einsidel, neighbours on the Irish Line who moved in during August of this year. A place for their horses was most desirable for them and they are satisfied to be here in Guilford and hope to become acquainted in the coming months.

Jessie Barry, daughter of Ray (Chip) and Billie Joe Barry placed 9th out of 42 at the orienteering and survival competition in the Cadets from across Ontario in October.

Terry Upton was treated to a surprise birthday party at the centre on Oct. 27. Friends from local as well as Peterborough, North Bay and Newcastle came and entertained with music to make it a really happy event for Terry.

Terry was one of the many vendors who participated in the craft and bake sale on Nov. 10 at the centre. Terry's ever popular popcorn shirt sold as well as ever. Her scarves included the Moa Boas. There were too many vendors for listing all of them, but here are a few: Julie Barban's Heritage Ballet table, the Cooks, Pat Marshall and Heather displayed knitted wares, Heather's included quilting as well. Sharon Lawrence's table displayed books, photos and knowledge of wolves, a passionate interest of author and Sharon's husband of many years

until his death. John Legemaate's fine china attracted much attention. Nancy Brink's jams and preserves sold well.

Jewelry and purses from Busy Beads Studio in Gelert was managed by M.L. Baker. Ann Harris' books was yet another attraction, as was Heather Harrington's Mary Kay cosmetics venue. The above gives only a glimpse of what was on view, but the crowd from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. spoke for itself of the popularity of the event. I trust that those whose crafts were not mentioned will understand that I just ran out of time. All were of value including of course the Maple Lake United Church Ladies' bake table. Refreshments were on hand for lunch throughout the sale, manned by Myra Marshall, Shirley Johnston, Ila Griffin and Margo Ross. Thanks to all participants and hats off to Nancy Brink whose organization made it happen.

Euchre from Nov. 6. High- Norma Geddes and Ron Bain. Low- Ruby Parcells and Robert McIvor. Most lone hands-Colleen Davison and Leon Jones.

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For further information, please contact Dave Walker at (705) 457-1830.



Recognition

Haliburton Legion Branch 129 Ladies Auxiliary president Cheryl James was recognized for her dedication to the organization at the Remembrance Day dinner held at the Legion on Nov. 11. James presented Legion president Carla Watson with a \$1,000 cheque at the dinner. This goes with a donation of about \$7,000, which was spent on building renovations including the kitchen and ladies' washroom.

The auxiliary is primarily a support group for the local Legion but also raises monies for local charities through catering weddings, funerals, anniversaries, Snowflake Bazaar, spaghetti dinner after the Santa Claus Parade, refreshments at the Wednesday bingo and card afternoons.

Angelica Blenich Staff

Learning to teach to drive

Joe Duarte,

QMI Agency joe.duarte@sunmedia.ca

I'm teaching my son to drive. Sort of.

I know the professionals tell you to "let a professional teach them to drive. And survive," but I think I am pretty darn near professional when it comes to driving.

Which is not to say I'm a great driver; I consider myself above average. But I'm probably more logical than the majority of people on our roads. I employ common sense probably to a fault. And, I've taken just about every advanced driver training course out there, on this continent and elsewhere in the world.

Now I said I'm sort of teaching my son to drive because I don't take him out every night, as my father did when I was learning. I pick and choose times and locations, based on what I feel he needs to learn, until I feel he's ready to move on to the next step.

Parallel parking was a tough one, especially in

his mother's Camaro (that thing is hard enough to see out of, let alone judging the corners to make sure you don't clip anything), so we borrowed grandpa's Cobalt. He picked it up almost right away. At about the same time, I had a Ford with one of those self-parking systems, so I made him watch the steering wheel while I engaged the system. It's amazing how much you learn just by watching.

I took him out driving in the rain, conveying the dangers and cautions of which a driver should be aware (before we set out), so he'd have a good sense of what the tires were doing instead of being thrust into it and having to deal with the uneasy feeling while it was happening. When the snow flies, we'll seek out an empty parking lot so he can learn the magic of anti-lock brakes, regaining steering and correcting slides.

He asks questions as we drive along, which helps me think about things I haven't thought much about in decades of driving, and I impart suggestions AFTER things happen (not in a panicky or flustering way WHILE he's in the middle of a manoeuvre).

For more auto news, go to autonet.ca.

Tickets available for Midget BB team fundraiser

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Submitted by Dan Marsden

Atom A Storm narrowly beaten by Thunder

Highland Storm Atom A faced off against Oro Thunder on Nov. 10 in Minden.

We quickly established control of the game just minutes into the first period with a goal from Joe Boice. We battled to regain the upper hand to the end of the second period but Thunder managed a few goals against us. We took a much-needed flood to collect our thoughts. As we stepped back onto the ice for the third period, we were determined to apply the pressure and not give up. With our goaltender Dylan Keefer making some outstanding saves, we pressed on. Nigel Smith passed to Zach Morissette for a quick goal. With another determined play Zach and Isaac Little make quick passes around the zone. Joe receives the pass and

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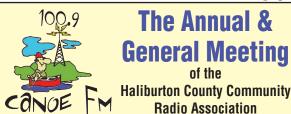
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With less than a minute left on the clock, coach Mike Mac-Naull pulled the goalie in the attempt to score another goal

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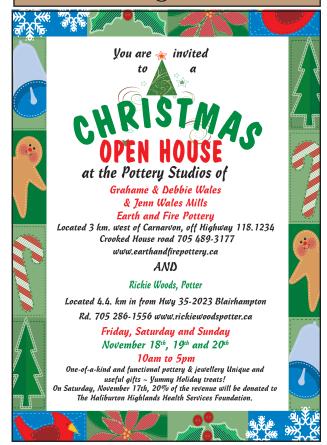


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Coming Events



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Parkinson's Disease Support Group - Do you have Parkinson's Disease? Do you know or love someone with Parkinson's Disease? Join our group for information, support and awareness. Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 1:30 - 3:30 pm. New location: Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team Education Room on the ground floor of the Medical Centre. For more information please call Janet Bottum, BSCN,RN, Senior's Health or Barb Fraser, MSW,RSW, Social Worker 705.455.9220 or E-mail:info@hhfht.com

Indoor Walking Group - Haliburton Walk for your health! Indoors at the High school Monday-Friday 7 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. Sponsored by Heart and Stroke. Call Jackie Metcalf at 705-457-3756

Indoor Walking Club - Minden at ASES, walk the halls every school day from 7:40 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. Contact Morris Duff 705-286-1066 or Maxine Snell 705-286-2008

ATTENTION stamp collectors in Haliburton and Minden area, new club is forming in the Highlands. Please contact Kevin for more information at 705-489-1038 or 705-457-5949

Nov 17: Haliburton Legion Ladies Auxiliary presents their Annual Snowflake Bazaar from 9a.m. -2p.m. at the Legion. Bake table, crafts, lunch ETC Call 705-754-3319

Nov 17: Gooderham Christmas Bake & Craft sale, located at the United Church from 10a.m. – 3p.m.

Nov 17: Heritage Turkey Supper located at Highland Grove Community Centre from 4p.m. - 7pm. Adults \$12, Children 12 and under \$6.

Nov. 21. The Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will hold their regular meeting at the Lions Hall, Bobcaygeon Road, Minden. Doors open at 6pm. Elections for 2013 Executive at 6:30pm. Program at 7pm will be "Bring Your Ancestor" - a fun evening where members and guests make a short presentation on an ancestor. No charge - everyone welcome. Refreshments available. For more information contact Gail Leach-Wunker 705-286-2225.

Nov 22 - The Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636 will be celebrating the American Thanksgiving by showing both NFL games on several big screen televisions. A turkey lunch will be available for purchase.

Nov 24: CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE from 1pm to 5pm. Come to the LION'S HALL, MINDEN, meet the Lioness, enjoy a cup of hot chocolate and take home some home baked goodies

Nov 24 - Branch 636 Craft and Bake sale from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Tables can be reserved for \$10 each. To reserve a table to sell your crafts or baked goods, call Jenn Wilson at 705-286-2904.

November 25 - The Minden Legion will be hosting a Grey Cup party from 5:00 pm until 11:00 and televising the early NFL game. Food will be available for purchase. Come wearing your favourite team jersey and watch the game with your friends.

Wilberforce students collect 150 pounds of food

Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

448-2018

Often we hear of schools receiving various gifts that help students. The students and staffs of schools also give to others in their communities. At the Wilberforce Elementary School recently the staff and students have participated very well in a food drive. They pledged to donate 50 pounds of non-perishable food by Nov. 7. They did it. Actually they surpassed their goal. They tripled it, bringing in 150 pounds of food. That food was picked up last week and it will be distributed to food banks in

Minden, Cardiff, Wilberforce and Haliburton. They did it for the right reasons; not for thanks. We say congratulations, well done. Thank you for your generosity.

To get your free flu shot an influenza clinic will be operated on Wednesday, Nov. 21 at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce. It will be on from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Joanne Burroughs called to let us know that in Highland Grove they will be serving their Heritage Turkey Supper at the recreation centre on Saturday, Nov. 17 between 4 and 7 p.m. Always a delicious meal for which adults pay only \$12 and children 12 and under eat for \$6.

Public Skating is on at the Keith Tallman

Arena every Sunday from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

The Wilberforce school is now accepting donations for its annual Christmas shopping store. In the last week of this term they will set up one of the portables as a store filled with donated items. The children are given an opportunity to shop free for gifts for members of their families. They always need wrapping paper and gift bags. If you can donate and/or help in the store let the school office know. Call 705-448-2421.

In last week's column the phone number to call to book a table for the Dec. 1 craft sale should have been 705-448-2211 (Cathy).

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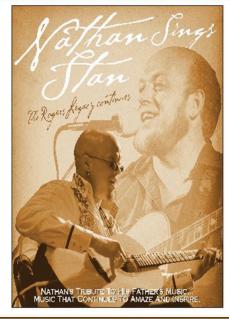
Church welcomed Bishop Linda Nicholls on Sunday, Nov. 11. She preached and celebrated Holy Communion.

The Stonegrove Antiques Shop in Highland Grove will open for a one weekend Christmas special on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 24 and 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All inventory will be available at 20 per cent off. A draw and free refreshments will be available.

The Walt McKechnie Hockey Tournament for Novice players will be played at the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena in Wilberforce on Nov. 17 and 18. Novice players are those eight and nine years of age. Should bring lots of parents and other relatives to enjoy the action.

Tickets are now available for annual wildlife dinner

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Juniors - Grades 4-5-6: Black and White: first - Erik Morrison, second - Halle Dale. Intermediate - Grades 7-8-9: first - Sonora Plumb, second - Kendra Anderson, third -Taylor Davies.

Presentation of certificates will be arranged with the school in the near

A thank you from the branch to all those who participated in this contest. The

thought that went into these posters was overwhelming from those so young. Well done, kids.

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Upcoming Events

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As always there will be a variety of wildlife for you to sample as well as turkey for those inclined to be on the "wild side."

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Come cheer on the Atoms

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and tie the game. Unfortunately, they scored on our empty net, which left the final score at 5-3.

Our next game is Saturday, Nov. 17 in Minden at 3 p.m. Come cheer on your local Atoms.

Submitted by Monica Keefer

Shamrocks luck out against Novice Storm

The Highland Storm Novices played a double header against Parry Sound in Wilberforce on Saturday, Nov. 10. Our first game we suffered another shutout loss, which doesn't reflect how hard our team or goaltender played.

Our second game, we started off strong getting on the board with 6:58 left in the first, with a goal by Nick Phippen assisted by Kyan Hall and Matthew Vargas. The Storm continued to play hard, however, the Parry Sound Shamrocks came back in the second and third period to win 7-1.

Submitted by Trisha Phippen

Peewee AE Storm overpowers Almaguin

On Saturday we played at home against Almaguin. We walked away with a win; the score was 4-2. Our boys played great. The forwards skated their best, passed and shot the

puck as well as was to be expected. We scored from just about every angle. We managed to get a tip in, one from the blue line. Scoring our goals were Zak Shantz, Sam Longo, Matthew Manning (2). The assists go to Jesse Sisson (2) and Zak Shantz. Our goaltending was also amazing by Carson Sisson. He was sure on his game, with some quick and important saves. He was a huge part in this win.

On Sunday we travelled to Parry Sound to play, and ended our three-game winning streak with a loss of 9-1. Scoring our only goal was Alec Stoughton. Despite great defensive effort we unfortunately couldn't hold them off.

Sponsored by Haliburton/Minden Lions Club. Submitted by Joanne Sisson

Mixed results for Peewee A Storm

After a strong showing against Oro on Saturday in front of our hometown crowd, the Highland Storm, sponsored by Smolen Dentistry, came up short on Sunday in South Muskoka.

It was a close game against Oro with neither team able to break through the strong play of both teams' goalies in the first period. Parker Smolen made several key saves throughout the game for the Storm. Finally, Ben Schmidt got the ball rolling in the second as he buried a scrambled puck in front. Oro responded with two quick goals to take the lead but Schmidt found the back of the net on a rebound for his

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Different look

Head's Up Hair stylist has the same staff but with a different look. Photo by Laura Smith



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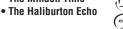
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HARRISON, Geraldine "Gerry" A. -Loving Memory of Geraldine "Gerry" A. Harrison (nee Thompson)-Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Thursday, November 8, 2012 with her family by her side. At the age of 76. Beloved wife of the late Keith. Dear mother of Tim, Lorianne (deceased), and Sheila. Loving grandma of Mandy, Darryl (Brittany), Brandon, Melissa (Jesse), Alan, Josh, Kayla, Russell (Courtney), Patrick (Melanie). Ben (Tiffany), James and great grandma of Connor, Emma, Brody, Jaxon, Carson, Aley and Nathan (deceased). Dear sister of Howard (Marie-deceased), and Eric (Nellie). Fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the $\mbox{\bf GORDON}$ $\mbox{\bf A.}$ MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Friday evening from 6-9 pm. A Service to Celebrate Geraldine's Life will be held in the Chapel on Saturday, November 17, 2012 at 1:00 pm. Cremation has take place. Interment to follow at St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery. Reception will be held at the Church(downstairs). In lieu of flowers of memorial donations to the St. Peter's Anglican Church or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) for the Palliative Care Room would be appreciated by the family.

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Peewee A lose to South Muskoka

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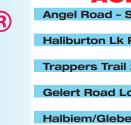
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